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SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated November 22, 2005 and in accordance with the requirements under 35 U.S.C. §121, Applicant hereby elects Species 2, subspecies A) i. Claims 29, 30 – 35, 37, 38 (amend to d from 29), 39, 40, 41, 53, 54, 55, 56, 61 (need to amend this claim), 62 (need to amend this claim), 67, 72 (need to make d from 67), 86 (need to make d from 67), 87 (delete reference to thin film) 35, 51.

Claim 29 is generic to claims 30 - 35, 37 - 50, 53 - 55 and 61.

Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows: